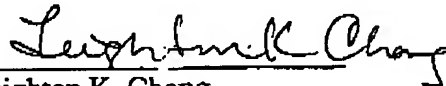


signal from the the mission control computer, so that generic command signals can be issued by the mission control computer to control the administration of game programs played on any of the satellite computers, but enabling local game-specific command inputs to be used by a game player to control the playing of a game program on the satellite computer. In this manner, the mission control computer of the present invention does not need to be tied at all times to the playing of specific game programs on each of the satellites, but can perform the mission control functions administratively by issuing generic commands to (start/stop/etc.) to the satellite computer, but leaving game-playing operation on the satellite computer to the player entering local game-specific inputs on the satellite computer. The new claims are deemed to clearly define the invention to be patentably distinct over the cited prior art of record.

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